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APPLICANTS : GERS-BARLAG et al.
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FOR : COSMETIC AND DERMATOLOGICAL PREPARATIONS
COMPRISING INCREASED ELECTROLYTE
CONCENTRATIONS
ART UNIT : 1619
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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated 12 March 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute claims 18-20 with amended claims 18-20:

18. Preparation according to Claim 11, wherein the weight ratios of (the partially neutralized esters of monoglycerides and/or diglycerides of saturated fatty acids with citric acid and the sorbitan esters) and (the one or more fatty alcohols) range from 7:3 to 3:7.

19. Preparation according to Claim 18, wherein the weight ratios of (the partially neutralized esters of monoglycerides and/or diglycerides of saturated fatty acids with citric acid and the sorbitan esters) and (the one or more fatty alcohols) range from 2:1 to 1:2.--